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TEN CENTS A WEEK

Dowager Empress Answers Death's Call.

TWENTY LIVES

Lost in a Terrific Philadelphia Explosion Monday Night.

Five Buildings in a Block of Six are Completely Demolished in the Awful Crash.

By Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, AUG. 5.—A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION IN A BLOCK OF SIX BUILDINGS ON LOCUST STREET, ABOVE TENTH, TONIGHT COMPLETELY WRECKED FIVE OF THE STRUCTURES, AND CAUSED THE DEATH OF FROM TEN TO TWENTY OR MORE PERSONS.

OVER TWO SCORE OTHERS ARE MORE OR LESS SERIOUSLY INJURED, SOME OF THOSE TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL WILL DIE.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST 35 PERSONS WERE IN THE FIVE BUILDINGS WHEN THE EXPLOSION OCCURRED. THE EXACT NUMBER OF DEAD WILL PROBABLY NOT BE KNOWN FOR SEVERAL HOURS.

THE OCCUPANTS.

The buildings were occupied as follows: Locust street, No. 1008, Houseman's pool and billiard rooms; 1010, Morris Rosenthal's second hand clothing store, occupied by Rosenthal, his wife and five children; 1012, Wm. Jones, colored restaurant, occupied by Jones and about 100 boarders; 1014, Geo. McClemmy, grocery store, occupied by McClemmy, clerk and servant girl; 1016, Patrick Quigley's grocery store, occupied by Quigley, his wife, three children and his uncle; 1018, Albert Mountain's grocery and meat store, occupied by Mountain, his mother, sister and clerk.

CAUSE UNKNOWN.

The explosion occurred about 9:30 o'clock. What exploded and how it happened is not known. It is believed that there was a barrel of gasoline in one of the three grocery stores.

With the explosion of 1008 the front walls of the building were blown outward into the street, while the floors and roof were blown upward and fell straight to the ground. Almost every building within a radius of two blocks about the scene of the explosion had its window panes shattered and are otherwise damaged. Every building on the opposite side of Locust street was more or less wrecked, but none of them fell.

AGONIZING CRIES.

A terrible cry went up from the

ruins a moment after the explosion occurred. Women, children and men, occupants of the wrecked houses, could be seen crawling from the debris, while agonizing cries of others were heard in the wreckage. From all the surrounding buildings injured people came running and fell unconscious.

FIRE BROKE OUT.

To add to the horror, fire broke out in the debris and in less than five minutes the great pile was burning fiercely from end to end.

A general alarm was turned in for fire apparatus and ambulances, and in the meantime the work of rescue was begun by those in the neighborhood. When the firemen reached the scene the flames had reached great height, lighting buildings across the street. The fire, however, was soon under control, and with the exception of a small blaze here and there was extinguished in a few minutes. Here and there a person was dragged from the ruins before fire could reach its victim.

The work of digging away the ruins tonight was begun in earnest. Near the edge of the debris several colored men were taken out and sent to the hospitals. While the firemen and policemen were digging in the debris, cries were heard coming from the cellar of Mountain's grocery store. Fifty men, with ropes and tackle, were immediately put to work at that point and pulled away the roofing and flooring, which had fallen into a massed heap. From the bottom of the pile, doubled up, was taken a man and a woman. The man was able to speak, but the woman was apparently dead.

SCORES RESCUED.

While the work of rescue was going on in the exploded block, hospital attendants and others made a search of all the damaged houses on the opposite side of the street and almost a score of persons were taken to various hospitals from these places.

Jefferson and Pennsylvania hospitals, which are located nearest to the scene of the explosion, were crowded with the injured. None of those taken to the hospitals died up till midnight. Two hundred men then went to work clearing away the wreckage. The buildings containing the pool rooms, the clothing store and the restaurant were three story brick structures, while the other three buildings were two and a half stories.

striker. Officers seem afraid to serve the warrants.

The condition at McKeesport at 10 p. m. is reported as feverish. An ordinance was drawn up by common councilman Wampler, appropriating \$500,000 for additional paving and sewerage for McKeesport. Only tax payers will be employed at the work. It is intended for the benefit of strikers in case the struggle is prolonged.

Two Akron Deaths.

By Associated Press.

Akron, O., Aug. 5.—Donald, the 10 months old child of General Chas. Dick, died this morning. The funeral will be held Wednesday.

David E. Hill, 76, the wealthy manufacturer, maker of sewer pipe, died today.

Kramer Defeated Taylor.

By Associated Press.

Hartford, Conn., Aug. 5.—Kramer defeated Major Taylor in a two thirds professional championship race tonight.

Decision on a Foul.

By Associated Press.

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 5.—Jack Daly, of Wilmington, Del., was given the decision over Jack Bennett, of Philadelphia, in the third round, on a foul.

Weather Forecast.

Ohio—Partly cloudy Tuesday, rain in southwestern portion. Wednesday showers, warmer, variable winds, mostly fresh southeasterly.

West Virginia—Rain in central and eastern portions Tuesday. Wednesday showers, warmer, variable winds.

Will Hunt Coyotes.

By Associated Press.

Colorado Springs, Col., Aug. 5.—Vice President Roosevelt left here today for a three days' coyote chase in the vicinity of the mountains near here.

SPANISH

War Veterans Form a Permanent Organization.

By Associated Press.

Columbus, O., Aug. 5.—Veterans of the Spanish war who served in the Fourth Ohio, met here today on the anniversary of the battle of Goyana. Pote Chico, and formed a permanent organization. About 400 were present. They placed the regimental flag in charge of the Governor in trust.

BLOWN TO ATOMS

By the Explosion of a Wagon Load of Nitro-Glycerine.

By Associated Press.

Bowling Green, O., Aug. 5.—A terrible explosion of nitro glycerine occurred on Main road, near here, this afternoon, in which one man, Will Radabaugh, 22, a driver for the Hercules Torpedo Co., was blown to atoms, and many other persons narrowly escaped.

Radabaugh was driving a wagon loaded with 800 quarts of nitro glycerine to the magazine, and outside of the station, as he neared the tracks of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton road, he whipped up his team to cross the track ahead of an approaching passenger train.

The jolting wagon exploded the instant the engine of the train, seeing

ing the explosion, applied the brakes and stopped the train within a few feet of a gaping hole in the tracks which a few moments before had been a road crossing. Pieces of flying debris, railroad ties, telegraph poles and fragments of iron were hurled against the train and the passengers were badly shaken up.

A barn 200 feet from the explosion was obliterated, and a house 100 feet away, occupied by Mrs. Abraham Teal and her two sons, William and Roland, aged 7 and 9, was wrecked. Mrs. Teal was seriously injured, but the boys were not hurt.

Plate glass windows were shattered and chimneys were shaken in Bowling Green by the force of the explosion.

BOARD

Of Health Hears What Became of Mrs. Kennedy.

The Board of Health held its regular meeting last night. In the absence of Mayor Sykes, acting Mayor Kidd presided. At roll call the following members were present: Kidd, Moser, McCall and Fischer, Mason, McClure and Health Officer Posey.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The health officer reported the city free from contagious diseases, which means that at last we are free from smallpox. Mrs. Kennedy having escaped from the city and MacAtee being discharged as cured.

The story of the escape of Mrs. Kennedy is known at last. She escaped from the tent and came to the residence of her brother-in-law in the East End and was refused admittance. Then Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy walked to Caywood, it is claimed, and "Mrs. Kennedy took the train for Newark, while Mr. Kennedy returned to the city. It seems that Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy managed to communicate and be together at various times during her confinement in the pest house. Mrs. Burrows, another inmate of the pest house, has told stories of how Mrs. Kennedy would communicate with Mr. Kennedy by tying notes to stones and throwing them to where Kennedy was concealed. During the sickness of Health Officer McClure, Kennedy is said to have met him with frequently.

SILENT SUFFERER

Responds Without a Murmur to the Call of the King on High.

The Kaiser's Mother Passes Peacefully Away at Cronberg, Germany and England Mourns.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 5.—A despatch was received at the State Department today from Ambassador White, announcing the death of the Dowager Empress of Germany. The despatch was sent to the President at Canton.

Her Majesty's children and the Empress Augusta Victoria were in the sick room most of the day. They were around the bedside when the Dowager Empress passed away. Emperor William conducted the members of the Dowager Empress' household into the death chamber and led them past the bedside to take farewell of their mistress.

DIED FROM DROPSY.

By Associated Press.

Cronberg, Aug. 5.—It is said that the cause of the death of the Dowager Empress was dropsy, accompanying cancer. The estate grounds are now surrounded by soldiers and patrolled by hussars and mounted police.

KING RECEIVES NEWS.

By Associated Press.

Copenhagen, Aug. 5.—King Edward received the official news of the death of the Dowager Empress Frederick on the royal yacht. The yacht's flag was immediately half-masted. King Edward and Queen Alexandra will leave here for Marlboro house tomorrow. It is not likely that they will start for Berlin until Wednesday.

MUDD MENTIONED

As a Probable Successor to Senator Wellington.

By Associated Press.

Baltimore, Aug. 5.—The Republican leaders of this state are in Baltimore tonight preparing for the state convention to be held tomorrow to nominate candidates for State Comptroller and Clerk of the Court of Appeals.

Either Dr. Isaac N. Barber, of Talbot county, or Hermann S. Platt, of Baltimore, will be selected to head the ticket. The Court of Appeals clerkship will, in all probability, go to Col. Thos. S. Parran, of Calvert.

The platform will include strong planks on behalf of the Republicans to repeal the present election law. Of course the Democrats attempting to disfranchise literate voters, will be denounced.

But little is said as yet concerning the probable successor to Senator Wellington in the event the Republicans succeed in carrying the legislature ticket. The most prominently mentioned are Messrs. Phillips, Leo and Goldsborough and Congressman Pearce and Mudd.

MEETING

Of Stockholders of the Webster Oil Co.

An important meeting of the minority stockholders of the Webster Oil Company was held Monday evening, at which plans were discussed concerning the future management of the concern.

The meeting was called to be held in the office of Ward & Stone, in the law building, but the attendance was so large that it was necessary to move over into the court room in the St. Clair building.

No definite action was taken, but another meeting will be held this afternoon, and in the meantime an authorized committee will hold a conference with Mr. Webster, who is the owner of 21 1/2 per cent of the stock.

BLOODY

Battle in Colombia Lasting Seventeen Days.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, AUG. 5.—A DIAZ GUERRA AGENT HERE OF THE COLOMBIAN REVOLUTIONISTS, TODAY RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM VENEZUELA OF A BLOODY BATTLE AND CONFLICT WHICH LASTED 17 DAYS. THE BATTLE WAS DRAWN TO AN END BY THE INSURGENTS RETIRING WHEN THEIR AMMUNITION WAS EXHAUSTED. THE GOVERNMENT TROOPS BEING TOO BADLY CUT UP TO PURSUE.

DESPERATE EFFORTS

Made the by Corporation to Run the Hyde Park Mill.

By Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Aug. 5.—The strike made little history today in Pittsburg itself. There was considerable, however, doing in the towns surrounding. In this city all idle mills were in the same condition as before the failure of the conference to settle the strike and no apparent move is being made by manufacturers to start the mills.

The most important strike point tonight seems to be Aschsburg and Wellsville, with McKeesport a possible trouble center.

From Aschsburg this telegram was received: "At 4 this afternoon the Hyde Park mill, which has been idle

since the first of this year, started. At 3:45 this afternoon the train arrived at Hyde Park, coming from Saltsburg, Vandergrift and Apollo. The train stopped at the works and 55 men left the train and hurried into the works. There was no excitement, and mill owners and managers tonight claim that they now have enough men in the mill to operate all five plants of the mill."

From Wellsville, O., the following was received: "The last four striking steel workers who were arrested Saturday, charged with rioting, were released from jail late this afternoon upon bail. Warrants are yet in the hands of the police for 17 more